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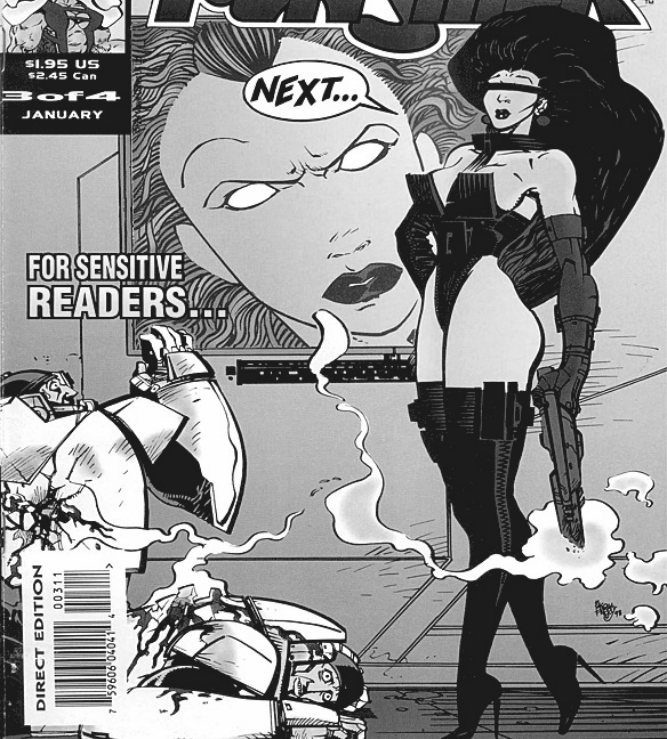
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MYELCH!

PLOYP...
BRIBBLE!

IT'S NO
GOOD--THAT
WAS MEANT TO BE
"HI GUYS...IT'S
PLASHER--
I'M BACK!"

BUT
AFTER THE
STUNT I PULLED TO
HELP DESTROY THE WORLD
WAR 3 ROBOT, I CAN'T
EVEN LOOK LIKE MY-
SELF--LET ALONE
TALK...

SOUNDED
LIKE--"MYELCH
PLOYP BRIBBLE."

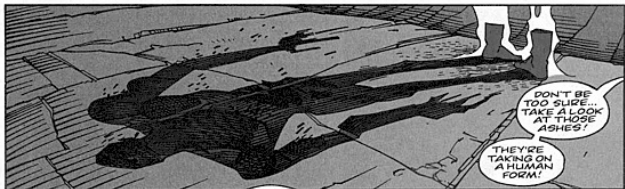
HEADS UP,
GUYS--WHATEVER
WE'RE UP AGAINST IT
LOOKS PRETTY UGLY!--
BUT THERE'S SOME-
THING VAGUELY
FAMILIAR ABOUT
IT...

WHAT
DID IT
SAY?

**MASTERS
OF WAR!**

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DON'T BE TOO SURE...
TAKE A LOOK
AT THOSE
ASHES!

THEY'RE
TAKING ON
A HUMAN
FORM!



IT'S
AMAZING...
MY BODY IS
REFORMING
AS A PILE
OF ASH!

YOU
WERE ALWAYS
FEIGHTENED TO
TAKE YOUR POWERS
TO THE LIMIT
BEFORE...

YOU'VE
SURVIVED
THE ORDEAL
--BUT WHAT
HAVE YOU
BECOME?



BE READY FOR
ANYTHING, HEROES...
TOMMY HAS RE-
BUILT HIMSELF!

GREAT!
AND WE'RE
GOING TO FIGHT
HIM WITH A PILE
OF CINDERS AND
A MELTING
WOMAN...

ERR...
SORRY ABOUT
THIS -- I WASHED
MY MOLECULES
THIS MORNING AND
I CAN'T DO A
THING WITH
THEM!



CAREFUL--DON'T ATTACK HIM...IT SOUNDS LIKE HE'S REVERTING TO HIS ORIGINAL PROGRAMMING...TO SERVE!

RULE BRITANNIA!

SOWARRRRL...

GOD SAVE THE KING!

THEY DON'T LIKE IT UP 'EM!



TOMMY--YOU MIGHT REMEMBER ME...I'M JACK SMITHERS, THE OLDEST BRITISH AGENT! BUT WHEN I WAS A YOUNG LAD, WE CREATED YOU IN THE GREAT WAR.

SOWURK! WHY--SMITTY, YOU CHEERFUL YOUNG NIPPER!



LET'S KICK THE OLD PIG'S-BLADDER AROUND WHILE THE SERGEANT ISN'T WATCHING..

ERR, TOMMY...YOU MUST TRY TO UNDERSTAND..

I DON'T LIKE THIS, AMBASSADOR! ZANY OLD MEN, POTTY ROBOTS...I THOUGHT WE WERE GETTING THIS COUNTRY NORMALIZED, CONFORMIST, TIDY...

YES, MR. PRITCHARD, BUT IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO TIDY UP FACTS!



WAIT--LOOK, SMITTY.. A FALLEN COMRADE!

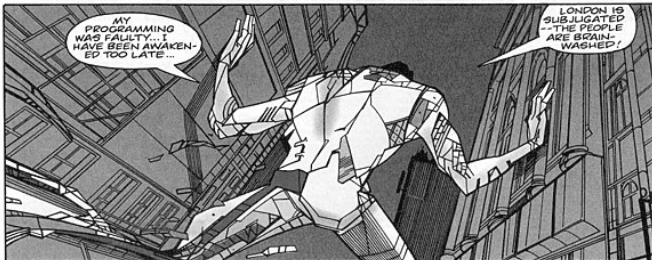
THE BLACK KNIGHT-OF COURSE!



I FEEL SOMEHOW RESPONSIBLE...LET ME CARRY YOU IN HONOR FROM THE FIELD.

WHAT A RELIEF!

TOMMY IS ONE OF OUR LADS AGAIN!





ENGLAND HAS BEEN INVADED BY AMERICA!



OVER HERE, MRS MULLARKEY... WERE THE M.Y.S-TECH BACK-UP SQUAD YOU CALLED FOR

WELL I DIDN'T THINK IT WAS A PIZZA DELIVERY, YOU MORON!

WE'RE ON THE BRINK OF DISCOVERING THE SECRETS OF A UNIQUE TECHNOLOGY...

I NEED SOMEONE EXPENDABLE TO CHECK FOR FALLING WELCOME MATS.

LIHH... RIGHT.



TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN: GOOD DAY.

IF YOU HAVE PROGRESSED THIS FAR, FREESTATE TECHNOLOGY IS AT YOUR DISPOSAL. I AM TO INSTRUCT AND ASSIST YOU.

HUH... HEY?



I WANT TO HAVE A GOOD LOOK AT THIS BEFORE THE BOARD GET THEIR HANDS ON IT...

GOOD DAY, I AM--

AND...

WHAT'S THIS? SUPPENLY I CANNOT MOVE!

AN INVISIBLE HAND CONTROLS ME!

NOW DON'T SPOIL MY FUN BY TELLING... I WONDER WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I PRESS THIS...

SELF'S BACK

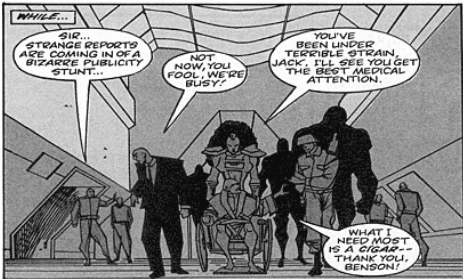
OH-- SOME KIND OF MOVIE STUNT...

WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE IT IS?

PROBABLY AN AD FOR SOME NEW KIND OF DOUBLE-GLAZING...

HA HA! THE SENSE OF POWER IS DELICIOUS... WHO KNOWS WHAT TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION I HAVE JUST CAUSED?..





AT LAST!
THE FREESTATE
CONTROL'S AT OUR
MERCY! BUT WHERE'S
MULLARKEY? SHE
CERTAINLY TOOK
HER TIME...

I'M HERE,
CROWE.

AND AS THE ONLY
SURVIVOR OF THAT
DOOMED TASK-FORCE
YOU JUST SENT OUT,
YOU MIGHT GIVE
ME A BIT MORE
RESPECT!

STILL... NOW I'M ALL
DRESSED UP AND READY
TO PARTY?..

SO I
SEE...

BUT
COULDN'T
YOU JUST WEAR
A WOOLLY JUMPER
OR SOMETHING?
SOME OF US HERE
ARE TRYING TO
CONCENTRATE
ON OUR WORK!

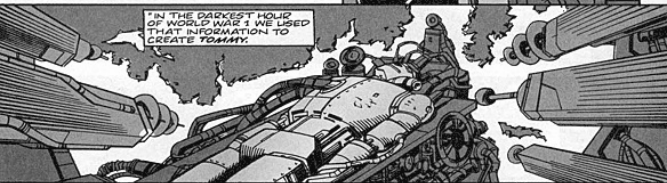
AND
WHO'S THIS
GORMLESS
GHOST?

THE
SLAVE OF THE
TECHNOLOGY--
HE'S YOUR TUTOR
PROGRAM.

AND WHY DID
YOU BRING THESE
IDIOTS BACK?

THEY'RE ALL FREESTATE
VICTIMS... CORPSES IN LIGHT,
STONE AND CRYSTAL...









AND...

SHRAK!

IT'S
CAN'T
TO HIT
OF

BOX

GET
REAL, GIRL
SCOUT!

THESE
STATUES MAY
REPRESENT NOBL
IMAGES, BUT REAL
THEY'RE PAWNS IN
A FIENDISH
STRATEGY!

AHA! YOU
STAR-SPANGLED
NAPOLEON... YOU
MUST BE THEIR
LEADER!

NO GOOD... I
BRING MYSELF
THE STATUE
CHURCHILL...

I MEAN IT'S
JUST NOT
DONE!

E
LY
N

WHROK!!

YOU'RE
TALKING
CRAZY, CHUM...
YOU--MMF!



AT MYST-TECH...

THE
CONSOLE IS
GOING MAD...
THERE'S A
MASSIVE SURGE
OF FREESTATE
ACTIVITY...

LOCATE
THE
SOURCE!

LOOK AT THIS MULLARKEY
... WE NEVER GUESSED--A
SECOND CONSTRUCT?

BUT
WHO IS
THAT?

WAIT! I...
I SENSE A
STRANGE KINSHIP
--BUT CAN I BELIEVE
WHAT MY INSTINCTS
ARE TELLING
ME?

OH WELL, I SUPPOSE
YOU'LL FIND OUT
EVENTUALLY... IT
APPEARS THAT THIS
IS YOU, OONAGH...
YOUR (ehm!)
GOOD SIDE...

WHAT?! WHY
DIDN'T YOU
TELL ME?

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL
US... ABOUT THE SECRET
RITUAL YOU TRIED
TO COPY?..

MY GOOD SIDE!
THAT EXPLAINS
EVERYTHING...

NOW I KNOW
WHY I'VE BEEN
SO UNINHIBITED...
SO TRULY EVIL!
SHE... MY COMP-
ASSION... MY
MERCY... HAS
BEEN
RIPPED
OUT OF
ME!







THAT CRYSTAL
WARRIOR IS THEIR
TOP BANANA...

BUT HE
WAS DESIGNED
TO COMBAT HUMAN
RESOURCES... YOUR
STAR-BOOM
POWERS COULD
DO THE TRICK!



I'LL
PROVIDE A
DISTRACTION--
YOU GET IN
CLOSE!

I HAVE SEEN
YOUR PITIFUL
POWERS, WOMAN.
ONE BLAST WILL
BRING YOU DOWN...



GE-

I'M
GOING IN...
STAND BACK
THE REST OF
YOU!

RO-

NI-

MO!

PAH!
TOO MANY
TARGETS...



WE MUST FIND THE **THIRD ROBOT**... IT WAS BUILT RECENTLY, SO IT SHOULDN'T BE HARD TO CONTACT THE CORRECT AUTHORITY...

I'M SORRY, CAPTAIN-- DUE TO EXTENSIVE RESTRUCTURING IT COULD TAKE WEEKS TO LOCATE THE INFORMATION...

YOU SEE OUR SECRET SERVICES HAVE BEEN UHH... **STREAMLINED** RECENTLY...

WAIT A MINUTE!

THERE WAS ONLY A SHORT PERIOD DURING THE GULF WAR WHEN SOME FEARED IT COULD ESCALATE INTO A GLOBAL CONFLICT... A THIRD **TOMMY** WOULD'VE BEEN BUILT **THEN**...

BUT IT MUST'VE BEEN CONCEALED IN SOME WAY-- LIKE THE OTHERS!

EXACTLY! BUT WHERE? WE NEED TO CALL UP CONSTRUCTION FILES FROM THAT PERIOD, AND LOOK FOR ANYTHING **UNUSUAL** BUILT IN LONDON AT THAT TIME...

AND SO...

WELL, THIS IS IT... AN **UNUSED AVIARY** FUNDED WITH MYSTERIOUS GENEROSITY BY THE M.O.D. IN JANUARY '91...

THE PERFECT PLACE TO HOUSE A CONSTRUCT BUILT IN **LIGHT MODE**!

YOU'RE RIGHT... I CAN SENSE SOMETHING...

...A PRESENCE A GREAT POWER!

I MUST ACT BEFORE IT AWAKES!

